

## I-5 – South King County Projects Update

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## Federal Way Traffic Closures This Week

### Interstate 5

**Two lanes of southbound I-5** will close Monday through Thursday nights (July 25-28) from S. 320<sup>th</sup> to the Pierce County line. The first lane will close at 8 p.m., the second at 11 p.m. Both lanes will reopen by 6 a.m. each morning. Crews are hauling material from the median.

The **southbound I-5 HOV lane** will close Monday through Friday (July 25-29) between Military Road and S. 320<sup>th</sup> from 7 p.m. each night to 1 p.m. each following afternoon. The lane will be open between 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. each day. Crews are removing the temporary roadway and building walls for the new HOV ramps in the median.

**The right lane of northbound I-5** will close Thursday night (July 28) from the Pierce County line to S. 375<sup>th</sup> from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. for guardrail installation.

Drivers should expect daytime **shoulder closures** on I-5 from S. 320<sup>th</sup> to the Pierce County line for electrical work.

### Highway 18

Drivers should expect nighttime closures of **one lane in each direction of Highway 18** near I-5 from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday nights (July 27-28) for drainage installation.

Drivers should expect daytime **shoulder closures** on Highway 18 in the I-5 vicinity for electrical work.

## Construction Updates

### **I-5 - S. 317<sup>th</sup> HOV Direct Access Military Road South to South 320<sup>th</sup> Street**

Crews are still removing the temporary roadway in the I-5 median and building HOV ramp walls. We're removing scaffolding from the northbound I-5 bridge over Military Road, and we completed pouring concrete on the decks of the Military Road and S. 317<sup>th</sup> bridges. We also poured concrete at the approach to the west end of the S. 317<sup>th</sup> bridge.

Please view our [new I-5 - S. 317<sup>th</sup> construction photos](#).

### **I-5 HOV Widening South 320<sup>th</sup> Street to the King/Pierce County Line**

Crews finished excavating the detention pond near S. 344<sup>th</sup> and are placing erosion control mats and topsoil at the new pond locations. We finished realigning the southbound I-5 lanes and continue clearing and excavating the median. We expect to finish setting the temporary concrete barrier this week, so that the median work zone will be protected from both sides of the freeway. We're building a retaining wall in the median at S. 375<sup>th</sup> to separate the northbound and southbound lanes, and we're building foundations to widen the northbound and southbound I-5 bridges at S. 336<sup>th</sup>.

Check out our [I-5 HOV widening summer construction photos](#).

## Highway 161 Weekend Construction Completed Early

This past weekend (July 22-24) crews replaced two 18-inch-wide pipes under Highway 161 in south King County with a 12-by-6 foot-wide box culvert (drainage structure). All lanes in both directions closed at 10 p.m. Friday and crews reopened all lanes at 9:30 p.m. Sunday, seven and a half hours before the scheduled reopening of 5 a.m. Monday.

The new culvert will reduce flooding, and improve fish passage and habitat along Hylebos Creek. This work is part of a \$29.6 million project to reduce congestion and improve safety by widening Highway 161 to four lanes between Milton Road S. in Federal Way and Jovita Boulevard in Milton. For more information, visit the [SR 161 - Jovita Blvd. to S. 360th St. Widening Web site](#).

## Highway Advisory Radio Updates

Tune your radio to **AM 1520** to hear a new project update each week on I-5 in Federal Way. Questions or comments? E-mail Laura Johnson at [JohnsoL@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:JohnsoL@wsdot.wa.gov).

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